

*(The motion was duly seconded.)*

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Delegate Johnson.

DELEGATE JOHNSON: Mr. President, I notice that the Calendar calls for my motion to reconsider the section on consumer protection.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair does not intend to call that for action today, even though it is on the Calendar and even though we are fortunate enough to conclude Committee Recommendation GP-6.

The Chair proposes to go into the Committee of the Whole immediately to conclude consideration of R&P-2, and then take up Committee Recommendation GP-6.

The probability is that the motion to reconsider will not be reached until next week.

Delegate Johnson.

DELEGATE JOHNSON: Mr. President, I will not go into detail at this point, but at least one of the reasons for making the motion to reconsider was because of the large number of delegates that were absent or late when we took up this item immediately following the dinner hour the other evening. If it is possible, I suggest that the Chair give some advance notice as to when this matter will come up again so we can have as many delegates as possible.

THE PRESIDENT: The motion for reconsideration is the only one permitted in the rules, except for the special permission in the rules, so for that reason the Chair would desire to have as many delegates present as possible.

Are there any reports of committees, Mr. Clerk?

THE CHIEF CLERK: No, sir.

THE PRESIDENT: Are there any motions or resolutions: The Chair hears none.

The Chair recognizes Delegate Powers.

DELEGATE POWERS: Mr. President, I move the Convention resolve itself—

THE PRESIDENT: Just a second. I do not think I submitted the motion on the amendment and adoption of the Calendar.

The question arises on the motion to amend the Calendar to permit further consideration of Committee Recommendation R&P-2, and to reverse the order of general orders A&B so that Committee Recommendation GP-6 will be the first item

under general orders, and Committee Recommendation GP-5 will be the second item.

All those in favor signify by saying Aye; contrary, No. The Ayes have it. It is so ordered.

The Chair recognizes Delegate Powers.

DELEGATE POWERS: Mr. Chairman, I move that the Convention resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole so that we may consider the general orders of the day.

*(The motion was duly seconded.)*

THE PRESIDENT: All those in favor signify by saying Aye; contrary, No. The Ayes have it. It is so ordered.

*(Whereupon, at 10:15 A.M., the Convention resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole.)*

*(The mace was removed by the Sergeant-at-Arms.)*

## COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE DECEMBER 15, 1967—10:15 A.M. PRESIDENT H. VERNON ENEY, PRESIDING

THE CHAIRMAN: The Committee of the Whole will please come to order.

We resume Committee Recommendation R&P-2.

For what purpose does Delegate Marvin H. Smith arise?

DELEGATE M. H. SMITH: One of personal privilege.

THE CHAIRMAN: State the privilege.

DELEGATE M. H. SMITH: I would like to recognize the presence in the gallery of 71 of the 72 students of Colonel Richardson High School, who themselves have written their version of the Constitution of Maryland, the 72nd being my daughter Melissa, who is over in the corner, together with their teachers, Mrs. Roberts and Mr. Lovell.

I feel bound to say to you that this school is named for Colonel William Richardson, who had many accomplishments but who was, among other things, a Delegate from Caroline County to the Convention of 1776, and it was he who invited Thomas Johnson to sit with the Caroline County delegation when he had been ousted